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In re application of:

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: July 24, 2002

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 24, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below:

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Amended) An ink jet recording paper which comprises a neutral base paper comprising a wood pulp as a starting material on which is coated a coating solution containing a fluorescent brightening agent, a water-soluble binder and a cationic polymer fixing agent, said coated paper having an ISO brightness of not less than 95% and a fluorescence intensity of 7-15% measured by a method specified in JIS P-8148 using a xenon flash lamp as a light source.

2. (Amended) An ink jet recording paper according to claim 1, wherein the neutral base paper is made using calcium carbonate as a filler and an ash content of the base paper is 5-20% measured in the same manner as specified in JIS P-8128, except that the incineration treatment is carried out at 500° for 4 hours.